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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.136, Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for a two-month extension of time extending to January 20, 2006, the period for response to the Office Action dated October 20, 2005. Please charge the fee of \$225.00 for this extension to Deposit Account No. 50-1314. The responsive paper(s) are attached.

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